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For: INFORMATION RECORDING )  
APPARATUS AND INFORMATION )  
RECORDING METHOD, AND ) **Mail Stop Amendment**  
INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM )

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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2004, the period for response to which extends through May 18, 2005 with a three-month extension of time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: